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- 11. Working withing the UN system, Sweden contributed \$60.3 million to the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF), making it the second largest contributor to the fund in 2009. Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) Haiti Desk Officer Sara Rameriez told Post on January 15 that Sweden has also offered the following assistance to Haiti:
- \$850,000 to the United Nations Office of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Fund to be channeled through the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) consisting of tents, water purification equipment and medical aid,
- \$ 2.8 million channeled through the Swedish Civil Contingency Agency for additional assistance, much of which may be needed to set up base camps for rescue personnel, and
- \$65,000 and two technicians to support IT and communications.
- 12. Swedish development Minister Gunilla Carlsson said that Sweden SIDA will continue to study the need for additional contributions. The Swedish branch of the Red Cross has also teamed up with a Swedish newspaper in a drive for donations to assist victims of the earthquake.
- $\underline{\ \ }$ 3. Post will continue to monitor Swedish emergency assistance to Haiti. BARZUN